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## Coyote Prescribed Burn Postponed (1/18) and Rescheduled (1/19)

(COYOTE, NM)—Because of predicted wind gusts of 35 mph today, Coyote District Fire managers postponed the planned **Mesa Camino Prescribed Burn**. However, they will make another attempt tomorrow, January 19<sup>th</sup> if weather conditions are favorable and will continue for the next 3 to 4 days. The **Mesa Camino Burn** is located approximately 20 miles northwest of Abiquiu and 6 miles northwest of the community of Coyote.

If predicted snows happen to shut down the **Mesa Camino Prescribed Burn**, then Fire crews will move on to burn piles of thinned material in the **Gallina Wildland Urban Interface** area, 1 mile south of the community of Gallina.

Smoke released from the burns may be visible from the communities of Ghost Ranch, Rio Chama Monastery, Abiquiu and possibly Chama and Española.

For information on programs to assist homeowners reduce wildfire threat to communities, visit <http://www.firewise.org/communities>.

